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WEATHER REPORT
Cloudy and colder tonight with snow in the mountains. Friday fair, colder. Moderate to fresh northwest winds becoming light p. m. and 10:15 p. m.

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DEATH OF DR. O'BRIEN

Well-Known and Popular Alexandria Physician Passes Away This Morning After Long Illness.

Doctor Matthew W. O'Brien, one of Alexandria's best known and esteemed physicians, died this morning at his home on Cameron street. The deceased had been in failing health for several years, and had recently been confined to his home.

Dr. O'Brien graduated from the Medical College of Ohio, at Cincinnati, in 1876, and at the New York Polyclinic in 1907-08. He acted as surgeon of the Southern, and Chesapeake and Ohio railways, for several years. Was vice president and fellow of the Medicial Society of Northern Virginia; member of the Southern Medical Gynecological Association, also of the American Medical Association and of the Masonic fraternity.

He was born in Baltimore, Md., May 6th, 1855, and after his graduation in Medicine in 1876, practiced his profession in Barnesville, Ohio, for ten years prior to his locating in this city.

He is survived by his widow Mrs. Virginia Evans O'Brien, and three sisters, Mrs. Isobel Parks, Mrs. Mary E. Jacobs, and Mrs. Jennie E. Brown, and one brother, Mr. E. H. O'Brien of this city.

Several years ago Doctor O'Brien health began to decline and his many friends realized that he had enjoyed his best days. He visited the best sanitariums in the country and resorted to every known means to arrest the insidious ailment which was slowly but surely undermining his constitution, until this morning when the curtain was slowly lowered upon the last scene of all. His death will be regretted by a host of friends and acquaintances.

The funeral will occur on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, at his late residence, Dr. P. P. Phillips of St. Paul's Episcopal church, officiating.

Death of Mrs. Collingsworth.

Mrs. Virginia Collingsworth, died suddenly yesterday afternoon at her home on South Fairfax street, from an attack of heart disease. She was the wife of Thomas W. Collingsworth, and a daughter of the late William Nowland.

The deceased was of a deeply religious nature, a charitable, generous disposition, a bright and cheerful temperment, with a large and varied circle of acquaintance. She was one of the best known women in our city. She was a consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, and for many years, active and zealous in all church work. Deeply interested in all southern affairs, she was identified with the Confederate work of our city. She was a valued member of the 17th Va. Reg. Chapter U. D. C., one of the first members of the Woman's Auxiliary to R. E. Lee Camp, C. V.. Her interest in and love for, this organization was most pronounced and was ever ready and willing to aid in all its work. She rendered material aid in the purchase of the Confederate Veterans building, was present at all social functions and never missed a Memorial Day service, Mrs. Collingsworth was a member of the committee which placed flowers on the graves of "Our Dead." She will be missed by all with whom she mingled.

WRECK IN CANADA

P. P. R. Train From Toronto to Montreal Crashes Into Rear of Local.

Montreal, Dec. 28. —Five men were killed and six injured early today in a rear-end collision, when the P. P. R. Toronto train for Montreal ran into the local train from Cornwall to St. Polycrape.

Owing to a heavy fog it is supposed the engineer of the train from Toronto either failed to see the signals or misread them.

Pneumonia killed thirteen Guardsmen and four regulars at the border during the week ending December 23, the War Department announced yesterday.

Lynnhaven Bay Oysters on Half Gall, Pint or Gallon. Jacob Brill, 1st King Street.

NEWS FROM THE BORDER

Copies of "The Virginian," Published by Members of the Virginia Regiments, Received Here.

The Gazette yesterday referred to the publication by the Virginia soldiers in Brownsville of a paper called "The Border Virginian." The first number appeared on Monday, December 11, 1916, and is a creditable production. Wise Worrell is editor-in-chief, and John Lyon general news editor. The latter, who is a private in the Alexandria Light Infantry, will have charge of assembling the news of all the commands and directly supervising the publication of the paper, He is assistant editor of Forest and Stream, an outdoor magazine in New York city. He published the Alexandria County Monitor, a weekly newspaper in Virginia for three years

The paper, among other things, stated that the members of the Alexandria Light Infantry were looking forward to Christmas reminders from their friends. Their home town branch of the Red Cross was preparing to send them ninety-six pairs of good warm socks, and one of each pair was to be filled just like it used to be when they were kids. Good things to eat, as well as pocket knives, writing materials, and other things that grown up boys away from home like to have were to be included.

Lieutenant McLean has written thanking the Alexandria ladies who sent the company a Thanksgiving box of gloves and good things. "The gloves will be of great service, he explained, "for it gets really cold here and we have already felt the northern winds; and we only hope they will not be worn out before we have an opportunity to wear them in Virginia."

Every private not on special detail was needed to furnish the guard for the camp and the base hospital, the quartermaster's and other details when the company mounted guard Wednesday night.

The fifth squad entertained a Mexican burro one night last week, much to the surprise of the real owner of the cot when he showed up late and found the visitor cuddled under his blankets. The burro made a hasty exit through a rip in the tent.

Lieutenant Knight left Monday on a twenty-day furlough, on urgent business at his store in Alexandria. Failing "orders" that would make it unnecessary for him to return to Texas, he hopes to get his furlough extended over Christmas.

Rosy Hayden has joined the military police force in Brownsville, succeeding Joe Morgan, who asked to be relieved as the company's detail.

The Adjutant General of Virginia has just informed the Virginia troops on the border that the Military Board has placed at their disposal the sum of $5.00 per man, based on the attendance at the last State Muster and Inspection.

FROM A FORMER 'CARRIER BOY'

Who Delivered the Alexandria Gazette Fifty Years Ago.

The Gazette received a letter this morning from Mr. C. M. Chauncey, a former resident of this city, now residing in Ada, Oklahoma, where he is engaged in business as manager of the Ada Cotton Seed Brokerage Company. In referring to the Alexandria Gazette he says: "I used to read it fifty years ago. I used to be a carrier, when I was a boy."

That leads the present editor of the Gazette to wonder how many of the "boys" who have delivered the paper as carriers in the years gone by are still living, where they are and what business they are now engaged in. The Gazette would be pleased to publish a letter from each one of them, and we are sure our readers would enjoy them.

NOTICE

Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the German Co-Operative Building Association No. 5. All series will be held Thursday January 11th, 1917 at 7:30 p. m., at their office 612 King street, Alexandria, Va.

JUSTUS. SCHNEIDER, Sec.
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Alexandria City and Suburbs

There were no cases on the docket of the Police Court this morning.

Mrs. J. H. Bitzer, after a long visit in the South, has returned much improved in health.

The Christmas dance of the Alexandria German Club will take place tomorrow night in the auditorium of the Elks' Home, in Prince street.

The Christmas tree and entertainment will be held at eight o'clock this evening in the Salvation Army Hall, 202 King street. An interesting program of drills, dialogues, recitations and Christmas carols has been arranged.

Because of the Christmas celebrations of the Sunday Schools this week and the Union Week of Prayer next week there will be no prayer meetings held in the Girls' Club, 921 King street, but the regular service will be resumed the following week.

The will of the late Jonathan Matthews, was admitted to probate in the Circuit Court in vacation today. The deceased left all his real and personal property to his daughters, Misses Roberta E. and Sofronia M. Matthews, who qualified as executrixes.

Improved Order of Red Men held their regular weekly meeting at 7:30 last evening in their hall in north Pitt street, with a good attendance. A large volume of business was transacted, cigars were donated by one of the members and all present enjoyed the "smoker" and social session. There will be installation of officers on the evening of January 3, at 7:30, and the first meeting in every quarter being roll call, the lodge earnestly requests all members to be present that night.

The Second Presbyterian Sunday School Christmas celebration will be held this evening at 7:30 in that church, and promises to be something new in that line. There will be white gifts to the King, given by the scholars of the school and distributed to the poor of the city by the Boy Scouts The gifts will consist of clothes and provisions wrapped in white. The decorations will be in white and those taking part in the exercises will be attired in white also. The idea of the celebration is to teach the children that it is "more blessed to give than to receive," as well as to think of those around them who are without the necessities of life. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Officers were elected and installed in Alexandria-Washington Lodge No. 22, A. F. and A. M., last night to serve for the ensuing year as follows: Wm. H. Charles, Worshipful Master; Claude W. Fletcher, Senior Warden; Wm. B. Davis, Junior Warden; J. E. Shinn, Treasurer; A. G. Uhler, Secretary; R. A. Zachary, Senior Deacon; P. C. Clift, Junior Deacon; A. C. Moss, Senior Stewart; J. M. Duncan, Junior Stewart; Rev. J. M. Nourse and Rev. Dr. J. L. Allison, Chaplains; G. M. Zachary, Tiler. The installation was by Right Worshipful J. Johnston Green, District Deputy Grand Master of district No. 1. The stated communication of the lodge will be held this evening at 7:30.

Captain Charles D. Barrett, U. S. M. C., is the guest of his mother, Mrs. Kate Waller Barrett, at her home in Duke street.

Earl, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Beck, died last night. The funeral will occur tomorrow at 2 p. m., from their home, 212 south Patrick street, Rev. Dr. Eugene B. Jackson officiating.

Mrs. Henry King has returned to her home in Baltimore, after a visit to her sisters, Mrs. Samuel Bendheim and Mrs. Louis Bendheim, at their home in Prince street, accompanied by Mrs. Louis Bendheim.

The January terrm of the United States Court for the Eastern district of Virginia will convene in this city on Tuesday next at eleven o'clock Judge Edmund Waddill, presiding. There will both grand and petit juries The Circuit court for Alexandria will convene on Tuesday next also, Judge J. B. T. Thornton, presiding.

The Wednesday Afternoon Dancing Class met yesterday in the auditorium of the Elks' Home, and the three competition dances were watched with interest by all present. The first dance, a one-step, was won by Miss Gladys Rodgers and Mr. Hubert Steele, the second a fox trot was won by Miss Gladys Rodgers and Mr. Vernon Warfield, and in the third the prize was awarded to Miss Gladys Aitcheson and Master McKnew Aitcheson.

The item in yesterday's Gazette which stated that the proprietor of a well-known house in this city had been fined ten dollars in the Police Court for violating the state labor law by compeling female attaches to work over ten hours, was not, according to the defendant, the facts in the case. He says he did not compel the young women to remain on duty over the prescribed time, but that they did so on their own volition, it being the holiday season. Had they refused to work over ten hours, he would not have been offended at their action. His offense seemed to have consisted in allowing the law to be violated in his establishment.

Miss Virginia Keith entertained at a dance last night at the residence of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence R. Keith, in George Washington Park, in honor of her house guest, Miss Anna May Murray, of Norfolk. The house was beautifully decorated with running pine and poinsetta. Little Miss Keith was assisted in entertaining her guests by her parents and Mrs. Urban Lambert and Mrs. Robert South Barrett. Those present were Miss Caroline Lovejoy, of Charlottesville, Miss Mary Fauntleroy, Miss Elizabeth Bryant, Miss Hilda Schneider, Miss Elizabeth Schneider, Miss Edmonia Baker, Miss Inez Moore, Miss Esther Lambert, Miss Louise Carlin, Miss Eliza Bland Cox, Miss Charlotte Kemper, Miss Margaret Linn, Miss Rosa Lee Fuller, Miss Marion Adams and Miss Rosella Burke. Messrs. Kevil McConville, Keith McConville and Harvey Burkett, of Washington, Thomas L. Wattles, Dimmock Gasson, Waller Barrett, Paul Barrett, Urban Lambert, Leo Pohl, Everette Pohl, Gordon Burke, Everett Swan, Stanley King, Carroll Ross, Robert Wheat and Edward Oliver.

Miss Mamie Bontz, left this morning to visit friends near Thoroughfare Gap, Virginia.

Miss Constance Woodward, of Philadelphia, is the guest of Miss Eleanor Matthews at her home in south Lee street.

John Stephen Kane, the student who was shot the morning of December 1, by Policeman Herns, when, it is alleged, he attacked the officer and resisted arrest, has recovered and left the Alexandria Hospital, going from there to Washington.

Major Raymond W. Pullman, superintendent of the police department of the city of Washington, has been engaged to deliver an address before the Men's Club of the Methodist Episcopal church South, sometime during the month of January.

The marriage of Miss Sallie Feagans and Mr. William Leo Parsons took place at St. Mary's Catholic church yesterday, Rev. L. F. Kelly, officiating. The bride is a daughter of Stephen Feagans of Del Ray, and the groom is a resident of St. Elmo, Alexandria county.

Mr. Benjamin H. Walker, of Chillicothe, Ohio, who has been on a visit to relatives and friends in Fauquier county, spent Friday and Saturday of last week with his cousins', Mrs. A. M. Sisk, and Mrs. J. L. Grimm. Mr. Walker left on Saturday evening to return to his home.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Cass Martin, of Farmville, were the guests today of Mrs. Martin's cousin, Mrs. M. C. C. Peyton, in The Wagar, Mrs. Martin was Miss Bertha Gray Robinson, associate editor and with her brother, Mr. Robert Newton Robinson, owner of the Orange Observer. Mr. Martin is the editor and proprietor of the Farmville Leader.

The new schedule of the Potomac and Chesapeake Steamboat Company now effective, reduces the service to three trips each week to river points. The steamers have up to this time been making six trips, but the new schedule withdraws the steamer Gratitude from service. The steamer in service will cover the upper river ladings as well as those along the lower Potomac.

Mr. Robert Bassford, of Harrisonburg, and Miss Olga Leary, of Dayton, will leave this morning for Rockville, Md., where they will be married. Mr. Bassford is a son of George W. Bassford, of Harrisonburg. He is an electrician with the Bell Telephone Company, now assigned to work in Alexandria. His bride is a daughter of the late S. Leary, of Hinton. Mr. and Mrs. Bassford will reside in Alexandria—Harrisonburg Daily News-Record, Dec. 27.

Under the winter schedule of the Maryland, Delaware and Virginia railway line the steamboat service between Washington, Alexandria, and Baltimore has been cut from three to one round trip each week, The steamer leaves Baltimore each Saturday evening at 5 o'clock and reaches here Monday morning. Returning she leaves here Monday evening at 4 o'clock and arrives at Baltimore Wednesday morning. Two other round trips are made from Baltimore each week, one stopping at Kinsale and the other at Leonardtown.

MONASTERY BURNED.

Famous For Cheese Produced by Monks on Farm.

Montreal, Dec. 28.—The monastery and chapel of the Trappist Monks, at Oka, were destroyed by fire yesterday. The monastery is famous for the cheese produced on a farm cultivated by the monks.

When the fire broke out the monks, numbering 100, were all at prayer in the chapel. They fought the flames vigorously, but were unable to control them owing to poor water pressure. The destroyed buildings were erected on the site of a monastery burned down in 1902.

Miss Caroline Lovejoy, of Charlottesville, is the guest for the holidays of Mr. and Mrs. Kemp L. Lambeth at their home in north Columbus St.

Rich Treat Promised.

Lovers of the old songs that were so popular years ago are promised a rich treat at the Richmond theater this evening, when Col. J. A. Pattee and Capt. Tony Miller, two well-known musicians on the vaudeville stage, will give a program which will include many of the old favorites. They are said to be good singers and violinists and well worth hearing. They have been among the "headliners" all over the Keith vaudeville circuit. The regular program of pictures will also be shown and the price of admission will only be ten and twenty cents.

NOTICE

Nobles who wish me to write for 1917 cards can leave their names and addresses, at Noble E. Warfield's, corner King and Pitt streets. E. E. DOWNHAM, 302-6t

DEATH NOTICE

Died, on the morning of Dec. 28, 1916, at 9:15, Dr. MATTHEW WATSON O'BRIEN, in the 62d year of his age. Funeral will be held from his late residence, 910 Cameron street, Alexandria, Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment private.

Death Notice

Died at her home, 137 south Fairfax street, on Wednesday, December 27, 1916, Mrs. VIRGINIA COLLINGSWORTH, wife of Thomas W. Collingsworth, Funeral from Wheatley's Chapel on Saturday morning at 11 o'clock, Friends and acquaintances invited.

When in Washington and hungry, stop at Schneider's Restaurant 12th street opposite Raleigh.

THICK FOG LAST NIGHT

Steamers Southland and Majestic Compelled to Lay at Wharves at This Port Until Early Morning

The rainy weather of yesterday was followed early last night by one of the heaviest fogs that ever enveloped this city and vicinity. As the night advanced it was impossible to discern objects a few yards away, and but few people appeared on the streets. The electric trains between Alexandria and Washington as well as those to Mount Vernon moved with caution, as did also the steam trains arriving and departing.

The steamer Majestic, which plies on the lower river route, left Washington at four o'clock, but when all freight at her wharf at this port had been placed aboard it was deemed inadvisable by the officers of the boat to leave until the fog had cleared. The fog completely enveloped the river, so much so that it was difficult to see from one wharf to the other. The steamer remained at her wharf, foot of Cameron street until an early hour this morning.

The steamer Southland for Norfolk left Washington at 6:45 o'clock last night and managed to make her way to her wharf at the foot of Prince street. The captain concluded to remain here until the fog lifted which did not take place until an early hour this morning. The steamer Northland, which left Norfolk at six o'clock yesterday evening, reached this city about on time. The Southland had not left on her down trip when the Northland hove in sight.

The weather experts predict clear and cold weather by tomorrow with northwest winds

SUNDAY CROWDS DWINDLE

Evangelist Says He'll Omit Christmas From All of His Future Engagements.

Boston, Dec. 28—The attendance at the Billy Sunday services last week slump from an average of 8,000 to about 2,500 daily. But he said he had never dared to hold a revival in Christmas week in any big city and never will again. The crowd jumped to 14,000 capacity on Sunday night. No services were held at the tabernacle Christmas Day. This week's attendance figures will tell the story of whether the revival has run out. The report of the collapse is generally considered unwarranted.

The collections to date are $64,000. Only $5,000 more is needed to clear all expenses through the revival, which closes on January 20. When $5,000 more is in, collections will be discontinued until the last day.

FINDS GEMS ON DOORKNOB

Stolen Jewelry Returns as Mysteriously as it Vanished.

Altoona, Pa., Dec. 28—Returning from Mass, Christmas morning, Mrs. Patrick W. Finn, wife of a wealthy contractor living at Ant Hills, a suburb, found a neat little package bound with red ribbon hanging on the doorknob. Opening it, she found it contained diamond rings and brooches, worth approximately $5000 which had been stolen from her home November 10.

No one saw any stranger about the premises, and the return of the gems is as much of a mystery as the theft. Four carpet cleaners had been arrested on suspicion, but the case against them will likely be dropped.

NOTICE

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the West Brothers Brick Company will be held at the principal office of the company, No. 111 South Fairfax street, Alexandria, Va., on Tuesday, January 9, 1917, at twelve o'clock, noon.

WILLIAM D. WEST, Sec.
Dec. 28. Jan. 2

Tile fish, pollock, Jersey trout, lake trout and winter shad will be on sale the balance of the week by Geo. E. Price and Co. 303-1t

LONDON IS LESS BITTER

Dispatches From British Capital Say "Peace is in the Air"—Allies to Ask Stiff Terms

Washington, Dec. 28.—Germany's answer to President Wilson's peace note reached the State Department today.

It was stated by an official that nothing confidential was attached to the answer, though there had been suggestions that Germany might give her terms secretly in an accompanying message to Ambassador Gerard for transmission here.

The note was substantially in the same language as the transcript which was wirelessed to this country by the official press bureau and published here on Tuesday.

The State Department cable office notified Secretary Lansing of receipt of the message about 10 o'clock, and immediately provided him and President Wilson with copies.

New York, Dec. 28.—The New York World, which is generally credited with being in the confidence of the Administration, today prints the following dispatch from its Washington correspondent:

"There is good reason for believing that President Wilson knows in a general way the terms on which Germany will make, peace. It is known that the President has been in close touch with Ambassadors Gerard at Berlin and Page at London. It is regarded as certain that the tenor of the terms has come into the President's hands. No official confirmation, however, can be obtained.

"The substance of the German demands has been in the hands of Count von Bernstorff for several days. They cover the propositions advanced when the German peace proposal first was published.

"It is said today that these approximately are the concessions Germany is willing to make:

"The restoration of Belgium, geographically and economically. This includes payment for all damages to persons and property. It carries an admission that the raid on Belgium was illegal, but made absolutely essential through military necessity.

"The complete evacuation of France.

"The evacuation of Russian territory now held by the German armies. It is understood Germany will abandon the demand for an independent kingdom of Poland and Lithuania if antagonism proves too great.

"These only indicate the possible concessions Germany is ready to make.

In return Germany would insist:

"That all her allies retain what they possessed at the beginning of the war.

"That her colonies be restored.

"These indicated terms represent a material modification from those originally promulgated in German circles here.

London, Dec. 28.—A dispatch from The Hague to the Exchange Telegraph Company says German agents have arrived at The Hague to make preliminary arrangements for German delegates to the peace conference suggested in the German reply to President Wilson's note, The dispatch follows:

"In view of the preparatory meeting of delegates to a peace conference suggested in the German reply to President Wilson, German agents have arrived at The Hague and are making inquiries for hotel accommodations for German delegates."

London, Dec. 27.—Germany's reply to the President is generally regarded here as a clever maneuver to draw out the Allies' terms, but such haste to get in first may prove a boomerang.

The Teutons have left an opening through which the Allies are bound to send home a crashing blow.

Opinion still holds firm here that there is really a strong demand for peace throughout Germany, coupled with a willingness to pay as big a price as the Allies stand ready to extort for these objectives.

In official life, however, the fear in generally expressed that the German autocracy will not be able to force the Allies' terms upon the German people, who have been systematically deluded by the governing class-

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LET US TAKE COURAGE

The sands of the year 1916 have nearly run, and this time next week we will have started upon the new year, not knowing what conditions will exist ere the planet has made another siderial journey.

While the year about to close has wrought no marked changes in our old city, Alexandria is more than holding its own. In fact, there are straws which we like to watch. We may not get the armor plant, yet we will continue to fight for that plum, or until it has been definitely settled that it will not be placed anywhere on the Atlantic seaboard. While failing to see the absolute necessity for placing this government factory in the far west upon the safety plea with Washington in as much danger as would be the plant, yet we shall, if needs be, bow to the wisdom of those having the matter in charge.

We have realized for years that if Alexandria is to become a manufacturing centre the people must put their own shoulders to the wheel and not wait for plums to drop into their laps. We have much for which to be thankful and, in scriptural language, let us thank God and take courage.

It may not be generally known, but it is said to be a fact, nevertheless, that our merchants enjoyed a better trade this holiday season than ever before, while the banks report larger deposits. All this shows that business in our city is on the increase, notwithstanding some impatient spirits are waiting for an avalanche to strike us.

It was stated several weeks ago that a prominent Washington firm had secured a lease upon a King street building in which a new ten-cent store will be established. It is now learned that some remarkable transitions in our city are being planned for the coming year. Some other buildings have been leased in which department stores, financed by parties in other cities, are to be started here.

Other people seem to have confidence in the future of Alexandria, else such preparations would not be in evidence. They evidently see coming events, the shadows of which may not be apparent to our own people.

DEFENCELESS WASHINGTON

Alexandria and Washington, cities which are among the competitors for the government armor plant, were given icicles a few weeks ago when it was semi-officially stated that the plant would be placed as far as possible from the Atlantic seaboard, which meant that the hopes of Alexandria and the capital city might as well be abandoned. Alexandria had given logical reasons why the plant could be made safe at this place, and the Chamber of Commerce of Washington used similar arguments for that city. The people of Washington made Alexandria their second choice should the government decline to select the capital city as the site.

It has several times been suggested that if the authorities do not consider Alexandria or Washington safe places for this plant, the capital of the nation has been placed in an unsafe locality in case of war and invasion.

The Washington Times in commenting upon this says:

Washington has been eliminated as the site for the proposed $11,000,000 government armor plate plant. Most prominent among the reasons for locating it outside of this city, as announced by the Navy Department, was that Secretary Daniels felt that the plant should be as far away from the Atlantic seaboard as possible because of the danger from invasion. A very good reason, indeed, but why this extreme caution about a plant the value of which does not begin to approach that of the public buildings of Washington. Does Mr. Daniels wish to infer that the Capital of the Nation is at the mercy of any enemy making an invasion from our eastern coast?

In his decision relative to the site for the armor plant, the Secretary makes a tacit admission that this city, which houses all the records of our government, millions of dollars worth of government property, all the legislative and departmental buildings and the homes of the Chief Executive and other lawmakers, is defenseless. Yet he makes no suggestions for eliminating the evil and providing for the defense of the Capital. It has been proven on more than one occasion that the city is open to attack on all sides, especially by the aerial route, which in modern warfare is one of the most advantageous means of offensive.

IS PEACE DRAWING NEAR?

While there is pessimism in certain quarters, dispatches from some European capitals cause many to entertain the hope that peace is nearer than we suppose. Intelligence from London is to the effect that "peace is in the air," as it is generally assumed that Germany is tired of the war which is costing her so dearly.

As is suggested by the Richmond Journal, the promptness with which Germany seizes hold of Mr. Wilson's note suggests that the recent reported food riots in Dresden, in which women led the disaffected populace, are due to conditions much more general than are suspected. In his speech in the house of lords a week ago Earl Carson stated that evidence is forthcoming daily of the desperate straits of Germany at home and in the field. Perhaps, he had information not possessed by the newspapers.

The New York Times received last night the following cablegram from a correspondent in Paris:

"I have had private information indirectly from Germany which is decidedly encouraging. A friend of mine, head of an important Paris business firm, has a partner who is a Swiss. The latter has just visited Germany and returned to Paris. He is a level-headed business man and says positively that Germany can scarcely hold out more than six months longer. The shortage of food is more serious than it has ever been. He said it was literally true that the entire population long since had been unable to eat its fill. He himself saw many persons in various German towns actually fall down in the street exhausted by hunger, and in one case, at least, a man dropped dead from starvation in the road before his eyes. Such sights apparently are now not uncommon in Germany."

One thing is certain; Germany has had enough of war; peace is now her earnest desire and the alacrity with which President Wilson's anchor to windward is grasped is another evidence of her longings. Her internal and external troubles are probably much more insistent than the best informed student of the situation realizes. Her success in the Balkans merely lengthens instead of shortening the war, just as Lloyd-George stated the other day, consequently there is no balm in Gilead in that direction for the central powers. That Germany wants peace is well established; that the allies can and will fight on until they compel a compliance with their demands of reparation and restoration, plus annihilation of military caste, is also fairly well understood. Germany has long realized that she cannot defeat the allies and that prolongation of the war can only serve to make her worse off in every way, no matter what it may cost her enemies.

THE YOUNG MAN'S CHANCE

"Can you tell me where I can get two good middle-aged men of settled habits who are honest," was the question propounded to us recently by a prominent business man, and it started a train of thought.

It is a common, flippant remark of the young men of today that in this age of big business there is no show for a young man any more. The youths who give utterances to this thought simply have no conception of existing conditions in the business world. We have no hesitancy in saying that there was never a time when the opportunities presented young men were as great as they are today or the outlook for the future brighter, and equally we have no hesitancy in saying that there was never a time when it was harder to get young men to fill positions satisfactorily. Every business man knows the truth of this assertion and it matters not whether he is in large or small business. To use a sporting phrase, our boys seem to be unable to stand the gaff. They want big pay, easy hours and plenty of loafing time, and after they have been in a place a short while, want to be the whole show. It never seems to occur to them that the man or men who made a success of the business probably put in fifteen or sixteen hours a day and spent sleepless nights to make the wheels go round, and that if they want to learn the road to success they will have to do the same thing. It never occurs to them to conserve their employer's interest not only by giving him full value for the money he pays in wages, but by preventing waste in hundreds of ways around the place of their employment, all of which counts in the expense of the business. It never occurs to them that in many, very many cases, the best of men about the place are those who draw their pay on pay day without any thought or worry of how or where the money is to come from.

If young men would sit down and ponder these things and others of a like nature for a while and then work accordingly, they would soon discover that there was an opportunity for them and a future as well.

Here was a man inquiring for middle-aged men of settled habits. why? Because he wanted them? No. Because he could not get young men to fill the bill.

There is an opportunity for young men but the key to the lock is—industry and honesty.

The advertising columns of the newspapers are a certain index of the successful business houses of a city or town. The rule holds good in every city in the civilized world. Printer's ink has made thousands of men rich and never yet made one poor. The bold advertisers are the successful business men. Those that launch out and scatter broadcast facts and figures, keeping their business ever before the people, never relaxing, never retreating, but always pressing forward, never have to regret "lost opportunities" or "what might have been."

ALIVE IN CROSSING CRASH

Man and Woman Dragged 100 feet in Wrecked Automobile.

South Bethlehem, Pa., Dec. 28—Robert W. Gillespie, a Bethlehem Steel Company official, and his sister, Mrs. S. C. Moulthrop, of New York city, had a narrow escape from death in an auto accident at the "death-trap" Wyandotte street crossing of the Lehigh Valley Railroad.

Mrs. Moulthrop had just arrived from New York in the auto, and they were crossing the tracks, when from behind a standing passenger train came a drill engine. The latter struck the auto flush and dragged it nearly 100 feet. Three wheels of the auto were demolished and it was otherwise damaged.

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RUSSIA STILL DEFIANT

Sees German Power Waning —Says Time Has Not Arrived for Peace.

Petrograd, Dec. 28.—In the course of an order issued to all the units of the Russian army, dated December 26, the emperor, in a brief review showing how the inequalities in the technical resources for warfare as between the allies and the central powers are being gradually removed, with the result that the enemy strength is apparently waning, while that of Russia and her allies is constantly growing, proceeds to say:

"Germany is feeling that her complete defeat is near, and near also is the hour of retribution for all her wrongdoings and violations of the moral law. As in the time of her strength she declared war, so now feeling her weakness she suddenly offers to enter upon peace negotiations, desiring to complete such negotiations, before her military talent is exhausted.

"At the same time she is creating a false impression about the strength of her army by utilizing her temporary success over the Roumanians, who lack experience in the conduct of modern warfare."

Arguing that the allies are entitled to choose a favorable hour for peace negotiations, just as Germany chose a favorable hour for declaring war, the order says:

"This time has not yet arrived. The enemy has not been driven out of the provinces he has occupied. Russia's attainment of the tasks created by the war —regarding Constantinople and the Dardnelles, as well as the crention of a free Poland from all three of her now incomplete tribal districts—has not yet been guaranteed. To conclude peace at this moment would mean failure to utilize the fruits of the untold trials of the heroic Russian troops and fleet.

"These trials and the still more sacred memory of those noble sons of Russia who have fallen on the battlefield do not permit of the thought of peace until final victory over our enemies. Who dares to think that he who brought about war shall have it in his power to conclude the war at any time he likes?"

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INSANE IN A WILD PANIC

Hundreds of Inmates of an Overcrowded Institution Give Attendants a Hard Task.

Wilmington, Del., Dec. 28.—Fire believed to have been due to spontaneous combustion that began in the laundry in the State Hospital for the Insane at Farnhurst, Tuesday morning did considerable damage to the laundry and the ball room immediately above, and for an hour there was a reign of terror and excitement in the institution the like of which never before had been experienced there. Following the discovery of the blaze, when the wards and corridors were filled with smoke, the patients who were able to move ran about shrieking and yelling in terror, while calls for assistance from the bedridden added to the confusion of the small force of attendants.

The blaze was discovered by a workman in the laundry dryroom and because the framework was dry, the flames spread with rapidity through this room and burst into the ball room above. The hospital at present is overcrowded, and because of this some women patients had been placed in temporary quarters in the ball room. When the alarm sounded the attendants devoted their efforts to calming the patients and carrying out those who were helpless.

Shrieking men and women became hysterical through fright and rushed for the doors. Many of them were clad in flimsy bed clothing, some fainted and others made the rescue work by the attendants extremely difficult. All the helpless patients were carried to other wards and the Libert and Fame fire companies were called from this city. They managed to extinguish the flames before they could spread beyond the ball room.

There are 500 patients in the hospital, which has accommodations for only 400, and for hours after the fire was extinguished, because of the mental condition of the patients, the attendants were compelled to resort to extraordinary measures to restrain many of them from doing violence to themselves and to others. It even became necessary to administer soothing drugs to some of the patients, whose excitement could not otherwise be subdued.

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VIRGINIA NEWS

Commencing January 1 oyster tongers and dredgers on the Potomac river will have thrown open to them the area above a line from Lower Cedar Point to the Virginia shore that has heretofore been reserved for the propagation of oysters for seed. This was agreed upon by the authorities of the states of Maryland and Virginia when it was shown to them that there is very little demand for seed oysters, and that most of the oysters in the area have grown to marketable size and are not wanted for seed. Under the regulation opening the area to the oyster takers no oyster less than two and a half inches long is to be taken from the beds, and an inspector is to look over each cargo before it is sold. Should the privilege be abused either state can at once revoke it.

In the circuit court of Page county at Luray last week, Judge T. N. Haas, of the circuit court handed down a decision in a test case in which he says, in interpreting the Mapp prohibition law of Virginia, that any male citizen of the state twenty-one years of age can order the allowed quart of whisky a month, whether he is living with his parents, in a boarding house or at any place he calls home. This opinion is in contradiction of that handed down a few days ago by Judge R. W. Peatross, of th eDanville corporation court, who held that unmarried men more than twenty-one years of age are hopeless in the sense contemplated by the Mapp bill.

Formal notice was served yesterday in New York, on 350,000 Brotherhood employes throughout the country that the Adamson Eight-Hour Law will not be put into effect on January 1 and that, pending the decision of the United States Supreme Court, the accounts of the roads will be "kept in such a manner that, if the constitutionality of the eight-hour bill be upheld, the men shall promptly receive any back pay due under the decision of the court."

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LONDON IS LESS BETTER

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s regarding the strength of the allied nations.

Briefly, the German people are unprepared for the rude awakening. The Allies had anticipated rather a different reply from Berlin, and think it likely that the original answer had been subjected to considerable alteration.

The Entente wants the support and friendship of America, and there is a feeling now that their reply will show that they were justified in expecting it. The first flare of bitterness over the President's note has gone out. The understanding between the United States and the United Kingdom, is improving, the feeling of irritation is less acute, and a saner view is dominating the situation.

Peace is in the air; it is as thick as the fog enveloping London for the last two days. It is impossible to escape it.

JAPANESE DIET OPENS.

Emperor Gratified That Relations Between Empire and Treaty Powers Are Growing Closer.

Tokyo, Dec. 28.—The Diet was opened yesterday by the Emperor, who, in his address from the throne, expressed his gratification that the relations beween the empire and the treaty powers were growing closer. He declared that the alliance with Great Britain and the convention with France were becoming stronger and called attention also the new convention with Russia, which he termed a matter for congratulation.

The Emperor explained that he had ordered the ministers to draft bills necessary for the development of the country "keeping in mind the world situation," and asking the Diet to cooperate in passing these measures. The house was then adjourned to January 21.

SELECTED NAME FOR ELKS.

Francis C Langhorne, Whose Vote Resulted in Choice, Died at Plainfield, N. J.

Plainfield, N. J. Dec. 28.—Francis Charles Langhorne, who was a member of a committee that selected the name for the Fraternal Order of Elks, died at his home here yesterday. He was 72 years old and was born in New York. His vote is said to have decided the choice of the Elks instead of Buffaloes.

FAILS TO ESCAPE FROM GAS.

Man Found Asphyxiated Had Tried to Reach a Window.

Wilmington, Del., Dec. 28.— J. Gilbert Skinner, of No. 931 East 17th street, was found dead in his home Tuesday night, having been asphyxiated. His wife had gone away to visit relatives and he was living alone. He was seen to enter the house a week ago and nothing more was seen of him by neighbors. They had been smelling gas for several days, and this evening broke open the rear door.

Skinner was lying across a trunk in a second-story back bedroom, evidently having jumped from bed and tried to reach a window. Two burners on the gas stove in the kitchen and two jets in the dining-room were open and gas was pouring from them.

FUNDS PILING UP IN U. S.

National Bank Resources Exceed Those of 10 Countries Combined.

Washington, Dec. 28.—Resources of national banks of the United States Comptroller Williams announced yesterday, have increased more than $4,000,000,000 in the past two years and now aggregate $15,520,000,000 exceeding by about $1,000,000,000 the total resources of the Bank of England, the Bank of France, the Bank of Russia, the German Reichsbank, the Bank of Italy, the Bank of Spain, the Bank of the Netherlands, the Bank of Denmark, the Swiss National Bank and the Imperial Bank of Japan combined.

LAST NIGHT'S BOWLING MATCH

Washington Team Visits Alexandria and Wins Over Local Bowlers.

Walter Muir's bowling team, known as the Joseph Phillips, came over from Washington last night and rolled an interesting match with Harley's Stars. The local boys put up a good contest notwithstanding the fact that they were defeated.

The match is being rolled for a banquet which the losing team is to furnish. On Wednesday evening next the Alexandria lads will go to Washington for a return game which will take place at the Grand Central bowling alleys.

Last night's score was as follows:

Joseph Phillips				
Chaconas	86	88	112	286
Elliott	96	108	102	306
Isemann	110	104	93	307
Kettler	101	136	108	345
Vaeth	120	104	106	330
Totals	513	540	521	1574
Harley's Stars				
Minor	91	88	93	272
Reed	135	117	90	342
Wood	133	85	101	319
Hopkins	90	95	98	283
Gorman	96	80	95	271
Totals	545	465	477	1487

MINISTER DROWNS SELF.

The Rev. N. C. McDougle Ends Life In Small Stream on His Farm.

Parkersburg, W. Va., Dec. 28.—The Rev. N. C. McDougle, 65 years old, for many years a minister of the Church of Christ, committed suicide yesterday by drowning in Injun run, a small stream which passes through his farm, about 12 miles from this city.

Mental derangement due to failing health is said to have been responsible for his act. He is survived by his widow and several children. The body was recovered soon after he ended his life.

50,000 STARVING AT ALEPPO.

U. S. Ambassador Cables Report of Armenians' Plight.

New York, Dec. 28.—Fifty thousand deported Armenians are starving in the vicinity of Aleppo, Asiatic Turkey, as a result of a recent temporary suspension of relief appropriation, according to a cablegram from American Ambassador Elkus, received through the State Department at Washington and made public tonight by the American Committee for Armenian and Syrian Relief, An appeal is made for increased appropriations to alleviate the suffering.

MUTILATED BY DOMINICANS.

Details of Captain W. W. Low, of Marine Corps, Revealed.

Philadelphia, Dec. 28.—The horrible manner in which Capt. W. W. Low, of the Fifth Company, United States Marine Corps, met his death in Santo Domingo was told yesterday by Private Harry Fink, of that company. He said Captain Low was shot through the head and his brains scattered on the streets of Santo Domingo city during the American occupation of that city. He met his death during a battle between the American forces and the inhabitants of the black republic about three days before the marines took possession of the city.

The natives not content with killing Captain Low, hacked his body to pieces after he had fallen dead. The only way the members of the company had of identifying their slain officer was by his wrist watch and his leggings. Sergeant Atwood, of the Fifth Company, was also killed the same day as his superior officer. The natives did not, however, mutilate Atwood's body.

FATALLY WOUNDED

W. W. Hurt Slips on Snow While Hunting Pheasant, and Bullet Enters Left Leg.

Marion, Va., Dec. 28—W. W. Hurt, superintendent of a land company, accidentally shot himself yesterday while out hunting for pheasant in company with Dr. Henderosn, of the Southwestern State Hospital and Game Warden George Holland Miles. The accident occurred on the mountain about five miles north of Atkins and about eleven miles from here. Mr. Hunt slipped on the snow, and in some way his gun was discharged, the bullet entering the calf of the left leg, breaking the bone and severing an artery.

When Dr. Henderson and Mr. Miles reached Mr. Hunt they found him trying to stop the flow of blood with his hands. They were some distance from their car and had considerable delay in getting him to the hospital. When they reached there he was in a state of collapse, and died about 7 o'clock.

Smashing a gap ten and one-half miles wide into the Russo-Rumanian forefield protecting the Sereth line Field Marshal von Mackensen's ninth army of Kronstadt fame, effected the great "break-through" for which the Teutons have fought in a terrific battle, lasting five days.

Sitting in the Richmond circuit court chamber yesterday Judge Scott, of the Henrico circuit court, rendered his decision in the case of Attorney Abner Goode, cited in disbarment proceedings last week on complaint of Mrs Nannie Maughan, a client, who alleged that funds belonging to her had been unlawfully withheld by the lawyer.

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NOTICE

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December 27th, 1916.

At a meeting of the board of directors held this day, the regular semi-annual dividend of six per cent (6 per cent) and an extra dividend of 3 per cent were declared, payable on or after January 1st, 1917.

GEO. E. WARFIELD, Cashier.
302-4t.

AUCTION SALES

Of desirable resident property in Braddock, Alexandria, Virginia.

By virtue of a deed of trust bearing date on the 30th day of September, 1913, and recorded among the land records of Alexandria County, Virginia in Deed Book 140, page 27, executed by Robert Elliott and wife to George E. Warfield and Harry B. Caton, to secure the payment of certain notes in the said deed of trust fully described and set forth, default having been made in the payment of the principal note and two interest notes, and at the request and by the direction of the holders of said notes the undersigned Trustees will offer for sale at public auction at the Royal Street entrance to the Market Building in the City of Alexandria, on Saturday, January 6th, 1917, at 12:00 o'clock M. all that tract or parcel of land together with the improvements thereon formerly situated in Jefferson Magisterial District, Alexandria county, Virginia, but by the extension of the boundaries of the City of Alexandria now situated in said City of Alexandria, Virginia, and bounded and described as follows:

Beginning at a locust stake which is North 1 degree 47' 30" East 38 feet and North 88 degrees 12' 30" West 24 feet from the stake at the southwest corner of the property which by deed dated December 4, 1911, and recorded in Deed Book 131, page 459 of the land records of Alexandria County, Virginia, was conveyed by Robert Elliott to Mary T. Lukens; thence parallel with said Lukens' West line south 1 degree 47' 30" West 72.41 feet to a locust stake; thence North 88 degrees 12' 30" West 110 feet to a locust stake; thence North 1 degree 47' 30" East 72.41 feet to a locust stake; thence South 88 degrees 12' 30" East 110 feet to the beginning, containing 7,965 square feet agreeably to a survey thereof made October 1, 1913 by George E. Garrett Surveyor, and being part of Villa Site No 16 on the plat of the Northwest Alexandria Improvement Company of record in the land records of Alexandria County in Deed Book U, No. 4, page 60, and which was conveyed to the said Robert Elliott by the Northwest Alexandria Improvement Company by deed dated April 14, 1905, recorded in Deed Book 111, page 153 of the land records of said County.

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Sulphuric Acid	.017 per ct.
Phosphoric Acid	.031 per ct.
Nitrogen	.023 per ct.
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ANNUAL MEETINGS

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The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Alexandria Iron Works will be held at the office, corner Wilkes and Royal streets, Alexandria, Virginia, December 30th, 1916, at 8.30 a. m. By order of the president.

A. S. MANKIN, Secretary.
292 td.

NOTICE

The Annual Meeting of the members of the Independent Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Fairfax county, Va., will be held at the Company's office, Royal and Prince Streets, in Alexandria, Va., Monday, January 8, 1917, at ten o'clock A. M.

WALTER ROBERTS, President.
295-td

NOTICE ANNUAL MEETING

The Citizens National Bank
Alexandria, Va.
December 9th 1916.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank, will be held at the Banking House, on Tuesday, January the 9th, 1917., between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 1 p. m., for the election of directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly be brought before the meeting.

RICHARD M. GREEN, Cashier.
288-4w.

ALEXANDRIA NATIONAL BANK

ALEXANDRIA, VA., December 9, 1916—The annual meeting of the stockholders of this bank will be held at its banking house on Tuesday, the 9th day of January 1917, at 12 o'clock noon, for the election of directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said meeting.

J. L. PERRY, Cashier,
288-td.

NOTICE

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Iowa Apartment House Company for the election of a Board of Directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of other business, will be held at No. 107 North Fairfax Street, Alexandria, Va., January 9th 1917 at 10 o'clock A. M.

CHARLES D. WALCOTT, Pres.
A. M. McLACHLEN, Secretary.
300-td.

NOTICE ANNUAL MEETING

First National Bank,
Alexandria, Virginia,
December 9th, 1916.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of this Bank will be held at the banking house on Tuesday, January 9th, 1917, at eleven o'clock, a. m., for the election of Directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

GEORGE E. WARFIELD,
Cashier.
289-td.

NOTICE

TAKE NOTICE—That the undersigned will, on the 16th day of January, 1917, or as soon thereafter as his application may be heard, make application to the Corporation Court of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, for license to order, purchase or receive pure grain, ethyl or pure fruit alcohol, for the use of the laboratory of the Alexandria Fertilizer and Chemical Company in the City of Alexandria, Virginia, not to be used contrary to the provisions of chapter 146 of the Acts of Assembly of Virginia of 1916.

D. MILTON FRENCH,
Chemist in charge of Laboratory.
Dec 23-30-Jan.-6..

NOTICE

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Ontario Apartment House Company for the election of a board of Directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of other business, will be held at No. 107 North Fairfax St., Alexandria, Va., January 9th, 1917, at 10:30 o'clock A. M.

CHARLES D. WALCOTT, Pres.
A. H. McLACHLEN, Secretary.
300-td.

NOTICE

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the McLachlen Banking Corporation for the election of a Board of Directors for the ensuing years and the transaction of other business, will be held at No. 107 North Fairfax St., Alexandria, Va., January 9th, 1917, at 11 o'clock A. M.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

At the point of the bayonet, Teuton troops belonging to Field Marshal von Mackensen's center in the new offensive against the Sereth line yesterday stormed the strongly-fortified village of Filipesci, on the railway from Buzeu to Brailu In this sector and in violent battles south of Rimnicu-Serat, north of Bezeu, 5,500 Russians were taken prisoners, the Berlin war office announced A supplementary bulletin issued last night announced the ejection of Russian forces from a series of strong positions.

The presence on this side of the Atlantic of a formidable fleet of allied warships was indicated definitely yesterday The vessels are known officially as commerce protectors. They are heavily armed and disguised. For obvious reasons their exact disposition is not revealed, but the arrival recently in American waters of this newest unit of the British and French admiralties was made known from a source that hardly can be mistaken

Mme. de Thebes, famous as an astrologist and clairvoyant, died Sunday at her country residence, in Meung-sur-Laire, France, aged 72 years. The real name of Mme. de Thebes was Anna Victorine Savigny. She was well known personally in Paris and possessed innumerable secrets concerning the private lives of men and women of note.

Because they were refused the usual Christmas holidays, two thousand students at Scranton, Pa., struck yesterday and refused to attend classes. The students marched en masse to the local newspaper offices, gave their yells and departed for their homes, declaring they would not attend classes until Monday.

Two boys, 7 and 10 years old, yesterday told how their father set fire to their mother's kerosense-soaked dress, holding them until the woman's clothing was burned from her body, before a coroner's jury in Washington, investigating the death of Lilly J. Ransom, Stephen J. Ramson, colored, husband of the woman who died early yesterday at Freedman's Hospital, was held for the action of the grand jury following the testimony of the grand jury following thegko of his two sons and other witnesses.

Submarines of hitherto undreamed offensive power and radius of action are under construction by Germany. The Navy Department here has been informed, it was learned yesterday, that these great undersea fighting units are being rushed to completion in German shipyards and will be put into service as fast as they are completed. Naval officers here who are regarded as international law authorities pointed out that the new submarines will be able to lie so far away from vessels and signal them to stop by firing a shot across their bows that the danger of defensive guns on merchantmen reaching the submersible is gone or at least greatly minimized.

A dispatch from Amsterdam says preparations for the Hungarian coronation are almost completed and that the indications are that the ceremony will be carried out with all the pomp of the days before the war. The dress of Queen Zita, is ready. It is of white satin covered with gold en ornaments, after the model of the robes worn by the Hungarian queens at all coronation celebrations. It represents the efforts of 50 workers, who devoted 14 days in making it at at cost of $10,000.

A whole necklace of pearls in a single oyster was the lucky find of the Rev. H. Ridgely Robinson, pastor of the Pitman M. E. church, at Pitman, N. J., when he purchased a 10-cent plate of raws here at a restaurant. Pastor Robinson bit into one of the plumpest of the oysters, and he thought that he had taken a mouthful of gravel, instead, however, he found that he had a mouthful of pearls. He counted eighteen of them, all pure white and believed to be valuable.

The steamer Maryland, which reported Christmas night that she was sinking, had not been found at a late hour last night, according to a message received at Nantucket, Mass., from the coast guard cutter Gresham The message said that the Gresham was still engaged in a search for the vessel. It was believed that if any of the Maryland's boats had succeeded in getting away from the steamer they would have drifted westward in the path of transatlantic steamers.

If you are a seventh son or a seventh daughter, you should have an automobile. Every seventh family in the United States owns one, according to figures given out by the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce in New York. Its census, based on records of automobiles in June and the estimated production since that date, shows 3,500,000 cars in the country today. The population of the United States (not counting foreign possessions is 102,000,000 or 25,000,000 families on the census bureau's basis of four persons to a family. Figure out the car average yourself.

Mistaken, it is believed, for two men who recently fled Italy to escape the vengeance of the Mafia, Augustine Bardano and Nicolo Polari were shot and critically wounded by an unidentified man in a saloon in New York yesterday. Holding a crowd in the place at bay with his revolver, the stranger escaped. The injured men were taken to a hospital.

Four hundred Carranzista troops, part of the command of Gen. Gonzales, the deposed commander of Juarez mutinied at Villa Ahumada late yesterday afternoon and joined the Villistas operating in that neighborhood under Tamez and the Quevado Brothers.

A Chihuahua business man, who arrived at El Paso, Texas, yesterday, says 130 Villistas were put to death with bayonets near Mapula by order of Gen Francisco Murguia, Carranza commander at Chihuahua. The men, who had been captured by Murguia in the battle with Jose Tenz Salazar, near Mapula, last week, were sentenced to be shot, but finding his ammunition running low, Gen. Murguia, the report says, ordered the prisoners put to death with bayonets. The shrieks of the Villistas continued as long as life was left in them, the Chihuahua merchant says. All were buried in one long trench grave.

Four coast guard cutters will begin a search today for the new Clyde Line steamer Ozama, which has not been reported since she left Portland, Me., for New York, last Thursday afternoon. The Ozama was recently completed at Detroit, Mich. She is commanded by Capt. Dalton and has a crew of 25.

The Rev. Lot E. Doty, a Baptist minister, is in a serious condition from a gunshot wound inflicted by a patrolman who Tuesday night mistook the clergyman for a robber when he was making a purchase in a store in St. Louis. The patrolman said Dr Doty had been pointed out to him as a robber and that he shot when the minister refused to comply with his command to hold up his handss. Dr Doty was putting some change into his pocket and the patrolman said he believed he was drawing a revolver

VIRGINIA NEWS

Members of the congregation of Greene Memorial Methodist Church in Roanoke have announced that the Rev. Forest J. Prettyman, chaplain of the United States Senate and pastor of Mount Pleasant Methodist Church, Washington, D. C., had been asked to accept the pastorate of their church as the successor of the Rev. Dr. U. G. Foote, who has resigned to accept a call from New Orleans.

Navy officers who examined the U. S. S. Delaware yesterday declared she could not be made ready for sea before January 15, and probably later The Delaware was rammed last night by the fleet tender Sonoma.

E. D. Goff, master of the British steamer Telena, representting the owners has filed in the United States district court in Norfolk, a libel suit against the Merchants and Miners liner Powhatan for $100,000 damages. The suit is the result of the recent collision between the Telena and Powhatan in Chesapeake Bay, in which the latter was sunk and the former badly damaged. Capt Goff alleges that the Powhatan was responsible for the collision, by crossing the Telena's signals and continuing on her course at full speed ahead.

A mad dog scare occurred in Lynchburg on Christmas Day, when several persons were bitten by a rabid dog, which for some time baffled the efforts of a number of persons to kill it. The animal, coming from Campbell county, bit a child and then attacked Hugh S. Gresham, who fell in defending himself. Clutching the dog by the throat he held it off until witnesses secured an ax and struck the animal in the head four times. A policeman then fired a shot at it. The dog, however, ran away. Later it bit a woman several squares away, and a policeman broke one of its legs with a shotgun. Still the dog ran. A citizen shot it twice and it ran another square before Policeman Sutor killed it with another shot from a revolver.

Colonel James S. Browning, of Roanoke, a retired and wealthy coal operator, in a brief statement, made public Tuesday night announced that he is a candidate for Governor of Virginia, subject to the action of the Republican State primary convention or "the convention of any other party that sees fit to indorse my candidacy." Colonel Browning's statement says the people of Virginia are oppressed by "ruinous taxation and laws which are unbearable," and that the time has come for them to vote according to reason, instead of according to party affiliation. He challenges the Democratic candidates to meet him in joint debate.

James Ballard and French Catlett were arrested at Fredericksburg, on Saturday night charged with having in their possession more than one quart of liquor. When arrested they had twenty-two and one-half quarts of whisky, it is charged.

Through the delayed explosion of a giant firecracker which they had rammed up an iron pipe, two young South Richmond boys received severe injuries Monday morning. David Walke Carter, 12 years old, son of W. J. Carter, a prominent South Side druggist, was the more badly injured, it being necessary to amputate his right thumb, while the forefinger on the same hand was broken. Lewis Edwards, son of A. B. Edwards, of East Eleventh street, suffered severe laceration of the hands, while both boys were burned by the exploding powder.

Fifteen hundred persons were given dinner Monday by the Salvation Army of Lynchburg, and about 2,000 donations went to poor families.

Monday afternoon the Danville Elks entertained the poor children of the city in the tabernacle, 1,500 being given presents. Up to noon there were only two cases entered on the police blotter, but later in the day several persons were arrested for petty disorders. The decrease in drunkenness is marked this year.

Fire in Staunton Monday morning did considerable damage to the plant of the Staunton Daily News, opposite the Virginia Hotel. The loss is approximately $5,000.

NOTICE

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the District of Columbia Paper Mfg. Company will be held at the principal office of the Company, No. 111 S. Fairfax Street, Alexandria, Va., on Monday January 15th, 1917, between the hours of 12:00 o'clock M. and 1:00 p. m., to elect directors for the ensuing year, and for the transaction of any business that may be properly presented at the meeting.

A. B. TOLSON, Asst. Secretary.
Dec 14-21-28-Jan-4.

LEGAL NOTICES

IN VACATION

In the Circuit Court of the City of Alexandria, on the 4th day of December, 1916.

George Sollers, Complainant, vs Grace L. Sollers, Defendant. In Chancery.

An affidavit having been duly made, as required by law, that the defendant is a non-resident of the State of Virginia, and that she cannot be found within the jurisdiction of this State, and the sergeant having made a return upon the original process or summons issued herein that the defendant is a non-resident of his bailiwick, and application having been duly made in writing before the clerk of the court for an order of publication against the said defendant to appear and answer a bill in chancery filed by the complainant against the defendant for an absolute divorce on the grounds of wilful and voluntary desertion and abandonment for more than three years prior to the institution of this suit and an order of publication having been duly granted by the clerk of the court, it is therefore ordered that said defendant do appear here within 15 days after due publication hereof to answer the suit of complainant against the defendant for an absolute divorce on the grounds of wilful and voluntary desertion and abandonment for more than three years prior to the institution of this suit and to do what may be necessary to protect her interest in this suit. And it is further ordered that a copy of this order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in Alexandria City, Virginia, and that a copy be sent by registered mail by the clerk of this court to the last known place of address, residence and abode of defendant, to-wit: 1829 7th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., as stated in the application for this order of publication which shall be certified by the clerk of this court, and that a copy be posted at the front door of the Courthouse of this court on or before the next rule day of this court.

A Copy Teste:
NEVELL S. GREENAWAY, Clerk.
Robinson Moncure. P. Q. 285-4w.

IN THE CORPORATION COURT OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA.

Nettie C. Bryan vs. Bartlett R. Bryan. In Chancery.

Upon the written application of the complainant, made and filed in accordance with the statutes, together with the affidavit of the defendant's non-residence, the said affidavit stating the last known address of the said defendant, and it appearing from the return of the not a resident of the City of Alexandria, State of Virginia, and not within the jurisdiction of the Corporation Court, of the City of Alexandria, the Court does on the 4th day of December, 1916, enter the following order of publication against the said defendant:

MEMO: The object of this suit is to obtain for the complainant an absolute divorce from the defendant on the ground of wilfull desertion and abandonment.

It is further ordered that the defendant do appear within fifteen days after due publication thereof and do what is necessary to protect his interests in this suit; that a copy of this order of publication be published once a week for four consecutive weeks in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper printed and published in the City of Alexandria, Virginia; that a copy of the said order of publication be posted at the front door of the Court House on or before the next succeeding rule day after this order is entered, and that a copy of the same be mailed to the last known address of the defendant, Billings, Montana, (street address unknown).

A Copy Teste:
NEVELL S. GREENAWAY, Clerk
F P. Russell, P. Q. 285-4w.

IN VACATION.

In the Circuit Court of the City of Alexandria, on the 4th day of December, 1916.

Alphonso Carroll, Complainant, vs. Hattie Lewis Carroll, Defendant In Chancery.

An affidavit having been duly made, as required by law, that the defendant is a non-resident of the State of Virginia, and that she cannot be found within the jurisdiction of this State, and the sergeant having made a return upon the original process or summons issued herein that the defendant is a non-resident of his bailiwick, and application having been duly made in writing in vacation before the Clerk of the court for an order of publication against the said defendant to appear and answer a bill in chancery filed by the complainant against the defendant for an absolute divorce on the grounds of wilful and voluntary desertion and abandonment for more than three years prior to the institution of this suit and an order of publication having been duly granted by the clerk of the court, it is therefore ordered that said defendant do appear here within 15 days after due publication thereof to answer the suit of complainant against the defendant for an absolute divorce on the grounds of wilful and voluntary desertion and abandonment for more than three years prior to the institution of this suit and to do what may be necessary to protect her interest in this suit. And it is further ordered that a copy of this order be published once a week for four successive weeks in the Alexandria Gazette, a newspaper published in Alexandria City, Virginia, and that a copy be sent by registered mail by the clerk of this court to the last known place of address, residence and abode of defendant, to-wit: 1829 7th Street, N. W., Washington, D. C., as stated in the application for this order of publication which shall be certified by the clerk of this court, and that a copy be posted at the front door of the Courthouse of this court on or before the next rule day of this court.

A Copy Teste:
NEVELL S. GREENAWAY, Clerk.
Robinson Moncure. P. Q. 285-4w.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE CITY OF ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA.

Edna F. Roy, Complainant vs. In Chancery. Rodolphe G. Roy, Defendant. Divorce.

Upon the written application of the complainant stating specifically the last known address and place of abode of the defendant, that the defendant is a non-resident of the state of Virginia and has not been found within the jurisdiction of the said State, the Clerk of the said Court doth grant the following order of publication, at the Courthouse of the said City of Alexandria, Virginia, in vacation of the said Court on this 26th. day of December, 1916.

The object of this suit is to obtain a divorce a vinculo matrimonii for the complainant, Edna F. Roy, from the defendant, Rodolphe G. Roy, on the grounds of wilful abandonment and desertion for a period of more than three years next preceding the filing of this suit, without legal justification or excuse, and for general relief.

And an affidavit having been made and filed that the defendant, Rodolphe G. Roy, is a non-resident of the state of Virginia, and has not been found within the jurisdiction of the said State, it is ordered that he do appear in the Clerk's Office of our said court within fifteen (15) days after the due publication of this order of publication and do what is necessary to protect his interests in this suit.

It is further ordered that a copy of this order of publication be published once a week for four successive weeks in the "Alexandria Gazette", a newspaper published in the said City of Alexandria, Virginia, and that a copy of this order be posted at the front door of the Courthouse of this Court on or before the next succeeding rule day of this Court after this order is entered, and that a copy of this order of publication shall be sent by mail by the Clerk of this Court to the defendant addressed to his last known address and place of abode, to-wit, Lewiston, state of Maine.

Entered by Nevell S. Greenaway, Clerk of the said Court in the Clerk's Office of Alexandria City, Virginia, this 20th day of December, 1916.

NEVELL S. GREENAWAY,
Clerk of the Circuit Court of the City of Alexandria, Virginia.
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$1.50 MENS FLANNEL SHIRTS	89c	12½c GINGHAM	9¾c yd.	$2.50 LADIES' WOOL SWEATERS	$1.48
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TESTS FOR SUPERINTENDENTS

Education Board Adopts Rigid Qualifications and Some May Be Removed From Service.

Rigid qualifications for division superintendents have been adopted by members of the State Board of Education, and the rules have been so amended that it may necessitate the removal of many from the service.

All candidates for positions as division superintendents must file their applications on blanks to be obtained from the department of public instruction not later than February 1. Another provision is that the board will not receive indorsements from persons who do not know the candidates personally.

Following is a resolution adopted by the State Board of Education relative to division superintendents' qualifications:

Be it resolved, that the regulations of the State Board of Education be amended by adding thereto an independent section to be known as Section 136, and to read as follows:

136. Minimum Qualifications of Division Superintendents.

The following minimum qualifications for the position of division superintendent of schools are hereby prescribed.

The applicant shall meet the qualifications as set forth in one of the following sub-sections numbered from one to four:

1. The applicant must show that he holds or has held a teacher's license at least the equivalent of a first grade certificate, and must alsso show that he has had at least three years experince as teacher or school supervisor or principal within the ten years immediately preceding the commencement of the term of office for which he applies; or

2. The applicant must show that he has successfully completed at least two years of college work within ten years immediately preceding the commencement of the term of office for which he applies in a recognized college or normal school, and that the course which he has completed embraced at least three hours of education per week throughout each session; or

3. The applicant must show that he is a full graduate of a standard college, the degree having been conferred within ten years immediately preceding the commencement of the term of office for which he applies; or

4. The applicant must show that he has served as division superintendent of schools in this State; provided that in case the applicant is not filling the office of division superintendent at the date of his application, he must meet the requirements as laid down in section 1, 2 or 3 of this regulation.

The board may, in its discretion, waive that part of the qualifications set out in sub-section No. 1, requiring the applicants to hold, or to have held, a teachers' license equal to a first grade certificate, whenever the board shall be of the opinion that the applicant has such training and experience as would entitle him to hold at least a certificate of this grade.

YOUTH KILLED BY AUTO.

Found Unconscious on Street and Died a Few Minutes After Reaching Hospital.

Philadelphia, Dec. 27. — While driving along Market street at 30th last night, C. H. Vanderbeck, of Cynwyd, found the unconscious form of a well-dressed young man lying close to the curb. Placing the youth in his machine Mr. Vanderbeck made a quick run to the University Hospital where he died a few minutes later. His chest had been crushed and both arms broken.

The youth was dressed in a well-made suit of black, with a pin stripe, had black shoes and stockings, a black and green cap, and a red sweater. He was about 21 years old, 5 feet 6 inches in height, light complexion and light hair. There was absolutely nothing in his pockets or about his person to identify him.

CHRISTMAS MORN MURDERS

Parents and Three Children Chopped Up and Farmhouse Robbed.

Minden, La., Dec. 27—Neighbors summoned by a half-dressed little boy of 7 ran to the home of John N. Reeves early Monday morning to find that murderers had turned the house into a slaughter pen. Reeves and his wife were dead, the man's skull crushed by an ax, and the woman with a bullet hole through her head. An 11-year-old boy, still clutching in his arms his 15-months-old brother, and another of 5, were battered and chopped from ax strokes.

The children were carried to a hospital at Shreveport, where the oldest died. Their brother, who gave the alarm, escaped because he was sleeping in the attic. He had come down early in the morning to look for his Christmas presents when he saw what sent him flying terror-stricken to the next farmhouse.

A tool chest in which Reeves is said to have boasted that he kept $4000 was found broken open, near a table on which the parents had placed an array of simple presents before retiring Christmas eve.

Posses searched all through the day for the murderers. Monday night three heavily-shackled negroes were brought to the Minden jail. Whatever evidence there is against them has not been disclosed.

KILLS HUSBAND IN ROW.

Plunges Butcher Knife Through His Lung When He Knocks Her Out of Chair.

Philadelphia, Dec. 27.—In a dispute with his wife over a shirt she gave him for a Christmas present, Houston Richards, 40 years old, was stabbed through the righ lung with a butcher knife last night and died on the way to the hospital. The stabbing occurred in the home of the Richards in a court at the rear of No. 1208 Cambridge street. The wife, Mrs. Josephine Richards, aged 30 years, was arrested.

In a statement Mrs. Richards declared that she had killed her husband in self-defense. Her story of the tragedy was partially corrobrated by her stepson, Charles, 13 years of age, who saw the beginning of the quarrel, but fled from the house before the stabbing occurred.

DEFENDER OF GIRLS SLAIN

His Comrade Seriously Wounded for Resenting an Insult

Wilkes-barre, Pa., Dec. 27—An insult offered by four young men to a group of girls and boys leaving a Christmas party at Plymouth early yesterday morning ended in the murder of John Romanofsky, 24, of Plymouth, and Ignatz Cyzowitch, 23, of Plymouth, was stabbed in the back and seriously wounded.

With Misses Helen Melis and Martha Orlis, Romanofsky and Cyzowitch were on their way home from a celebration of Christmas at the house of a friend. They were met on Nottingham street by four men, who have not been identified. One of the four made an insulting remark to the girls, and when Romanofsky remonstrated against this action he was stabbed through the heart. His companion endeavored to assist him and a knife was plunged through his back.

The girls, terror-stricken, fled from the scene, and the assailants escaped.

After a 12-hour search policemen arrested four young men. While there has been presented no evidence against these men, it is known they were in the vicinity at the time of the crime.

COASTS TO DEATH.

Boy Crashes Into Brewer's Motor Truck at Foot of Hill.

Allentown, Pa., Dec. 27.—Kenneth, 9 year old son of Herman Stoeker, was instantly killed yesterday evening while coasting on the Locust street hill in this city, a favorite sport for Allentown boys.

The sled on which Stoeker and his 8 year old cousin, Herman Stoeker, were riding ran into a brewer's motor truck at the foot of the hill, and the heavy machine ran over Kenneth, crushing out his life. The other boy was only slightly injured.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

Seven persons are known to have been killed near England, Ark, in a tornado which swept through portions of Lonoke and Jefferson counties late yesterday, and more than a score of others are reported to have lost their lives at Keo, Tucker and other small towns in the path of the storm. Albert L. Swarts, a farmer, and three colored men were killed near England, and three children, Choice and Allalee Padgett, and Frances Snow, were crushed to death when their homes near Carlisle were wrecked.

One man was killed, four others were seriously wounde dand a dozen others suffered minor injuries in a gun fight staged in a mountain schoolhouse near Lexington, Ky., where a Christmas celebration was in progress. William Benedict, sr., was instantly killed. His son William, George Thornton, Bourbon Galloway, and Michael Caddis, were dangerously wounded. The shooting started when Benedict reprimanded Tom Thornton for causing a disturbance while the school children were giving their exercises. Enraged, his brotner, George, fired a shot and immediately the place was in an uproar. Women and children escaped by the windows. Many suffered minor injuries.

A pointed icicle, weighing several pounds, fell from the top of the Weehawken tunnel of the West Shore Railroad at New York Monday morning and fatally injured John J Kearney, 25 years old, a brakeman of Union Hill, N. J., The brakeman was on top of a car when the accident occurred.

Eighteen-year-old reservists in Italy have been ordered to report to the colors beginning January 1. Two thousand five hundred ammunition factories are running night and day. Despite peace talk Italy is preparing to prosecute the war more vigorously than ever.